

COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)

TOPIC Volkspolizei Dienststelle 2155 in Zeithain and Pirna.

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1. In June 1951, Volkspolizei Dienststelle (VPD) 2155 was stationed in Zeithain and Pirna. The 1st and 3d Kommandos, the 1st, 5th, 6th and 7th Sonderabteilungen and the officers training courses, A (infantry), B (artillery) and C (armored), were located in the so-called C Camp, about 5 km from Zeithain. The 2d and 4th Kommandos and the 2d, 3d and 4th Sonderabteilungen of the VPD were stationed in Pirna. It was said that the units from Pirna would move to the C Camp upon completion of the three-story barracks buildings in June. 25X1
2. The VPD had 1,200 to 1,500 police. The officers courses, which averaged about 50 trainees, included officers temporarily detached to the VPD. Ten officers of the 6th AAA Sonderabteilung were detached to Treuenbrietzen in April. About 50 new police of the 1930 through 1932 classes arrived at the VPD at about the same time.
3. The heavy weapons of the VPD included 1 T-34 tank, 1 SP gun, 1 German armored reconnaissance car, 1 x 122-mm artillery piece, 1 x 76.2-mm artillery piece, and 1 x 120-mm mortar.
4. The officers of the VPD included VP Kommandeur Schneider (fnu), commanding officer, allegedly an ex-officer, who was formerly stationed in Pirna; VP Oberrat Rexin (fnu), commanding officer of 3d Kommando; and VP Kommandeur Schroeder (fnu), commanding officer of 7th Sonderabteilung.

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